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CABINET MEETING.

It is said that Foreign Affairs Occupied But Very Little Time.

Washington, Oct. 8.—The Cabinet was in session to-day for about an hour and a half and all the members were present except Secretary Gage. Foreign affairs did not occupy very much time, as the discussion was devoted almost entirely to the forthcoming annual reports. Abstracts of these reports were presented to the President, as he desires to get data out of them for his message to Congress.

Postmaster-General Gary remained with the President for some time after the others left, discussing probable post-office appointments.

RILMA THE WINNER.

Lexington, Ky., Oct. 8.—Rilma won the Transylvania stakes of \$5,000 at the trotting meeting here to-day. Her time was 2:12. Monk was second and Tommy Britton third. The distance was one mile.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast for Virginia: Fair; warmer; getting colder Saturday night; southwest to north west winds.

SPAIN MAY PROVOKE WAR

The Probable Outcome of the Havana Demonstration.

STATE OFFICIALS SILENT—SOME ADDITIONAL PREPARATIONS FOR A WAR WITH SPAIN OR ANY NATION—JUDGE DAY AND MR. CRIDLER THINK THE SITUATION ONE OF PROFOUND PEACE AND HARMONY.

Washington, Oct. 8.—There is no haste at the State Department to believe that there is any disturbance in Havana that may lead to a clash between Spain and America. Two of the State Department officials, Judge Day and Mr. Cridler, were asked if they considered the reports as warranting investigation.

Both of these officials replied substantially that the department was not officially informed of any disturbance and they could not, therefore, discuss newspaper reports.

Judge Day, on the contrary, finds nothing new in the situation. This official, however, always takes an optimistic view or no view at all, until he has an official landscape to look at.

There must, however, be some reason for the sudden outbreaks in Havana, and it is not necessary to go far to seek that reason. According to the dispatches the populace are aglow with enthusiasm for the retention of Gen. Weyler. This captain-general is undoubtedly the most unpopular official who ever governed or misgoverned Cuba. It is not, perhaps, far wrong to assume that what enrages the Spaniards in Cuba and out of it is that the recall of Weyler is known to be an American suggestion. At least, it is the American idea that the warfare in Cuba be humanized and that is regarded as impossible with Weyler in command.

The Havana demonstration is, therefore, apparently an ovation for Weyler, but really a vigorous protest against American interference. Weyler has perhaps personally conducted the demonstration of himself, and will in time make it disagreeable for the queen regent to run counter to the wishes of the "loyal" Spaniards of Cuba that he may be retained. In that event, which is not one of the improbabilities, American diplomacy will receive a severe fall, and after that the State Department will not pursue the inquiry.

In the meantime every additional rumor or report that escapes from the Navy Department smells of gunpowder, shot, shell and battleship. In addition to the tips published yesterday concerning the recommendation of the Secretary of the Navy in his forthcoming annual report there are some items the cost and amount of which must be raised to get near the actual figures. It was learned yesterday that \$100,000 will be asked for the completion of the battleships Kearsarge and Kentucky. The figures for the purchase of guns for the merchant marine are said to be \$500,000. The request for an appropriation for powder will be raised from \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000.

Another significant fact is that two thirds of the powder purchased is to be put on board the battleships, cruisers, etc.

The Navy bureau chiefs said that the Spaniards could hardly act otherwise than at present, considering the continual flaunting of war and war's alarms in their faces by this nation. The Spanish government takes no stock in the friendly office business.

It must be plain to it that there is something of secret import in a nation which holds out the assurance to Spain that all is well, and then proceeds to get ready for war on a scale nearly commensurate with the available force of the country.

It is not to be expected that when America permits all its plans to be bulletined Spain can avoid seeing them, and especially when the plan can only have one intention, one end.

It is easy to see now that there is a disposition on the part of the conservatives to insist on the retention of Weyler as a rebuke to America, and the evidence so far is that he may be retained. In fact, it will be made to appear to the queen regent necessary that Weyler be retained in order to hold the military forces in Cuba to their loyalty.

In that event the queen would yield. If Weyler is retired or recalled, or removed, it might be as well to look for trouble, in which case the more preparations, past, present and future, the better.

KILLED ONE, WOUNDED TWO.

John Hinton a Victim of His Son-in-Law's Rage.

Rockville, Md., Oct. 8.—John Hinton, an aged farmer living at Endor, near this place, was shot and killed, his wife was mortally wounded, and his daughter, Mrs. William Timmons, dangerously wounded to day by the enraged husband of the latter. Timmons has not been arrested.

WILL WORK INJUSTICE.

Washington, Oct. 8.—The State Department has been notified that the government of Colombia prohibits the importation of matches after to-day and will at once confiscate all common amorphous, phosphorous sticks of wood or wax, pasteboard boxes or pasteboard for making the same. The injustice that this rule will work to unadvised exporters is admitted, but all representations have proved unavailing.

HAS MANY INVITATIONS.

Washington, Oct. 8.—The President has announced that he will certainly go to Canton and vote, and he has already received invitations to visit several places on the way. He is trying to arrange matters so that he can accept some of these invitations either coming or going.

GREAT IMPROVEMENTS.

The Payments Through the Banks the Largest Ever Known.

New York, Oct. 8.—Dun's Review of Trade to-morrow will say: While the number of failures for the week have been the smallest in any quarter since 1892, the business payments through the banks exceed by \$268,000,000 the payments of any week in the history of the country.

Speculators who profess anxiety about Cuba or the yellow fever in the South, or the municipal elections in various parts of the country, will have some influence helping them just now in the fact that after the extraordinary purchases for replenishment of stock there must necessarily be for a time less buying.

However, this may be, business is steadily increasing and the productive forces are being constantly enlarged.

The constantly increasing distribution of wages affords increasing funds for purchases and foundations are being laid for large business hereafter. The week's exchanges were 8.8 per cent. larger than any week since 1892.

The failures for the week were 212, against 296 for the same week last year.

Alleghany yell: Halle ganoo genac-gonac-whoa up-whoa up-ha-ha-ha-ha-Alleghany.

WAS WEYLER'S SCHEME.

Reported That He Aided the Escape of Miss Cisneros.

Key West, Fla., Oct. 8.—The rumor is being circulated in Havana that Gen. Weyler planned the escape of Senorita Cisneros, as he wished to protect his ally, Perez, as he is about to be recalled, and he was afraid that his successor would deal harshly with Perez, hence he planned the girl's release. He concluded the safest plan was to let the girl escape and thus end the affair. Many Cubans think that this is the true explanation of her escape.

WEYLER'S REIGN SHORT.

Madrid, Oct. 8.—It is semi-officially announced here this afternoon that Gen. Weyler will be recalled from Cuba at tomorrow's session of the cabinet.

ORIOLES WIN AGAIN.

Springfield, Mass., Oct. 8.—The exhibition game this afternoon was played before the largest crowd that ever assembled in Hampden Park and it was an improvement over yesterday's contest.

The score: Baltimore, 8 runs, 9 hits, 1 error. Boston, 6 runs, 8 hits, 3 errors. Batteries: Amole and Clarke; Klobendanz and Gnzell.

B. Y. P. U. CONVENTION.

Adjournment to February 23—The Proceedings of Thursday.

Norfolk, Va., Oct. 8.—The Baptist Young People's Union State convention completed its program last night and adjourned to meet next on February 23, the place to be determined later.

A lecture by Dr. Broughton, a discussion of "Educational Possibilities" in various phrases by Drs. Taylor, Mercer and Hall, an address by Calvin Moss, of Lynchburg, and the report of the resolutions committee consumed the morning session.

The afternoon programme's features were addresses by Dr. Taylor, B. Cabell Hauning and William Lunsford, on "Stewardship of Time," "Stewardship of Talent," and "Lessons from Business Experience," respectively.

At night Rev. Dr. Blackwell spoke on "Four Million Talents," and Rev. Dr. Battle on the "Steward's Reckoning."

NINETY-CENT GAS.

A Company That Proposes to Give It to Chicago.

Chicago, Oct. 8.—It is understood here that the Universal and Mutual Fuel Gas companies have been sold to a syndicate for \$6,750,000, and that the management of the companies will be combined and the field of operation greatly extended.

There is talk of an expenditure of \$10,000,000 in building new mains into the business and principal residence districts. The charters of both companies limits them to ninety cent gas.

It is also said that negotiations are in progress for the purchase of the Ogden Company by an Eastern syndicate, and that this deal will likely be consummated in a few weeks. Under the Chicago gas franchise law it will be impossible in the future for any new company to get into Chicago.

AN EXODUS OF MINERS.

Very Few Remain in the Jellico District or the 2,500 Who Went on Strike.

Knoxville, Tenn., Oct. 8.—Sixty to eighty families of miners from the Jellico district passed through here this morning on their way to the mines at Corrao, Ala. Miners have been leaving for two months, and there are now very few left of the 2,500 who went on strike May 1, most of them having gone to Virginia and Alabama.

The men have given up all hope of a settlement and there is little prospect of much work being done in the Jellico district this winter.

AN INK-MAKER DEAD.

Philadelphia, Oct. 8.—Charles Eneu Johnson, the veteran manufacturer of printing inks, died here yesterday morning at the age of 70 years, in his home, 814 South Forty-eighth street, after a short illness. He will be buried to-morrow in Woodlawn Cemetery. The funeral services will be held at his late home at 2 o'clock.

IT WAS INCORRECT.

Washington, Oct. 8.—In view of the published reports that President Crespo, of Venezuela, is dangerously ill, Minister Andrade cabled to Caracas this morning and this afternoon he received the following reply: "Crespo had a slight indisposition, but is already well."

SAILORS ON A STRIKE.

Seattle, Wash. Oct. 8.—All but four of the thirty-three sailors on the United States revenue cutter Perry quit to day because of a reduction in wages from \$28 to \$25 a month.

MR. GAGE RESPONSIBLE

Civil Service Commission Says He Alone Can Remove.

COLLECTORS HAVE NO POWER.

ONLY THE AGENTS OF THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY—A NEW INTERPRETATION OF THE LAW SAID TO HAVE THE APPROVAL OF EMINENT LEGAL AUTHORITIES—COMMISSIONERS TO FILE A STATEMENT.

Washington, Oct. 8.—The civil service commissioners will not give up the fight over the deputy collectors of internal revenue, but in a few days will present to the Secretary of the Treasury and the Attorney-General a statement of their views, which will be in direct conflict with the position assumed by Secretary Gage, regarding the power of removal by collectors of internal revenue, and also controvert the opinion prepared by Assistant Attorney-General Boyd sustaining the Secretary. Mr. Boyd's opinion has not yet been given out by the Attorney-General as the ruling of the department of justice upon the question involved in the controversy, and it is thought possible a reconsideration of the matter has been deemed prudent and that the opinion when finally made public may be somewhat modified.

As the issue up to this time has been between the Secretary of the Treasury and the civil service commissioners, the latter have not given expression to any views in regard to the opinion prepared by Assistant Attorney-General Boyd, but are dealing directly with the general proposition advanced by the Secretary of the Treasury that collectors have both the power to appoint and to remove deputy collectors. The commissioners, it is understood, are prepared to deny this absolutely, and they think Secretary Gage has been led into error by his failure to give the subject sufficient consideration.

In the first place, it is held that notwithstanding the law of 1864 directing the appointment of deputies by the collectors, such appointments, unless authorized by the Secretary, are not legal. The constitution gives the power of appointment to the President and the heads of departments. Congress cannot take away or abridge this power, and any law passed for that purpose is clearly unconstitutional. It therefore follows, it is claimed, that either deputy collectors of internal revenue are not officers of the United States, or else they secure their authority as such officers directly from the Secretary of the Treasury. The collector himself can give them no authority, except as the power may have been delegated to him by the Secretary, in whom the authority is vested.

This being true, it cannot follow that terms of deputy collectors expire with that of the collector any more than that the terms of clerks in the office of the comptroller of the currency or in any other bureau of the Treasury Department expire with the change in the heads of the different bureaus.

In the letter sent by Mr. Gage to the secretary of the civil service commissioners regarding the case of Collector Brady, he declares that as the appointing power is vested absolutely in the collectors the terms of all subordinates he may appoint expire when he goes out of office. This the civil service commissioners are prepared to show is an untenable proposition no matter what the Attorney-General may think or it. The truth is, they will probably argue, the collector of internal revenue has no power to appoint except as an agent acting for the Secretary of the Treasury, and the terms of deputy collectors are, therefore, as definite as those of clerks within the classified service. As a consequence it will probably be shown the Secretary either makes the removals himself, which he has a right to do, or the collector makes them not by virtue of any authority he himself possesses, but because of permission given him as agent of the Secretary.

If this view of the law is correct, and it has been vouched for by some of the leading lawyers of the country, Secretary Gage will not be able to hide behind the supposititious authority given collectors by the law of 1864, but must himself assume authority for the removals made by all collectors of internal revenue throughout the country. If he does this the civil service commissioners can have nothing to say upon the subject, but the issue will then be between the Secretary and the President, whose order he will have violated.

As to the right of the President to place deputy collectors within the classified service there can be no question. He had this right prior to the passage of the civil service law, which merely furnished the methods by which the classification was to be made and the machinery for its own enforcement. But the power of the President was neither extended nor abridged by the last act of Congress, nor could it have been affected by any act which Congress might have passed. Therefore, the classification of clerks, the formulation of regulations preventing their removal and the establishment of a system of competitive examinations to determine the fitness of applicants for the office was a voluntary curtailment of the prerogatives and authority of the President himself.

The promulgation of the civil service rules was an executive act, and in issuing his recent order President McKinley not only accepted what had been done by his predecessor, but extended the rules upon his own responsibility. It, therefore, becomes a question whether or not the order of the President is to be enforced or disregarded, and the authority of collectors of internal revenue does not enter into the matter at all, the civil service commissioners will assert.

W. C. T. U.

Proceedings of the Second Day's Session at Danville.

Danville, Va., Oct. 8.—The second day's session of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union State convention was very interesting. Mrs. R. H. Jones, of Norfolk, presided. The report of the committee on temperance physiology, urging that the same be taught in the public schools of the State, submitted by Mrs. A. E. Waite, of Richmond, was discussed at length at the morning session. The report shows that every State in the Union, except Utah, Arkansas, Georgia and Virginia, has a law compelling the teaching of the same. Copies of printed petitions to the Virginia legislature praying the enactment of such a law were circulated and numerous signed. The balance of the morning session was turned into a memorial service in honor of the members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union who had died during the past year.

The afternoon session was devoted to the discussion of reports of the improper use of alcoholic stimulants in hospitals, by nursing mothers, by drug stores, etc.

Wear crimson and blue at the park this afternoon.

REFUSED THE NOMINATION.

Capt. Peyton Will Not be a Candidate for the House.

Fredericksburg, Va., Oct. 8.—At King George Court House to-day Capt. S. C. Peyton sprung a surprise by announcing that he would not accept the nomination tendered him as the Democratic candidate for the legislature from Stafford and King George counties by the convention held at Falmouth ten days ago. The executive committee of the two counties will meet next week and name a new candidate. It is thought that the nomination will be offered to T. W. Berry, of Stafford, who was a candidate before the convention and was defeated by Peyton by a small majority.

FOUR CONSULS NAMED.

Ohio Man Goes to Edinburgh and a Delaware Man to the West Indies.

Washington, Oct. 8.—The President to day appointed the following consuls of the United States:

Rufus Fleming, of Ohio, at Edinburgh, Scotland.

Samuel A. MacAllister, of Delaware, at Barbadoes, West Indies.

W. W. Ashby, of Norfolk, Va., to be United States consul at Colon.

Edward Nye, of Danville, Ill., to be United States consul at Hankow, China.

Both Ashby and Nye are newspaper men. Mr. Ashby before the Washington correspondent of the Norfolk Landmark and Mr. Nye being connected with the Danville Commercial.

VICTORIA'S VIEWS.

The Queen Does Not Believe in the Stability of the United States.

London, Oct. 8.—Vanity Fair to-day says: "The queen empress was very much grieved at the attitude of the United States eighteen months ago, and it is an open secret that her majesty, who has made a close study of the American people, holds a most pessimistic view in regard to the stability and future of the republic."

The queen's long conversation with Sir Winifred Laurier, when that statesman was in England, would make most interesting reading."

EARTHQUAKE IN MISSOURI.

New Madrid, Mo., Oct. 8.—A severe earthquake shock was felt here to day. Many buildings were badly damaged. Crockery was knocked from the shelves and other minor damage occurred, though no one was hurt.

A SAD FATE.

Chicago, Oct. 8.—Harry Pumball, reported to be a son of the Pittsburgh millionaire of that name, was taken to the Dunning Asylum to-day in an insane condition.

REWARD FOR LYNCHERS.

Richmond, Va., Oct. 8.—Governor O'Ferrall has offered a reward of \$500 for the capture and delivery of any ten persons who participated in the recent lynching of Henry Walls, in Patrick. Walls, it will be recalled, is the man who was accused of the murder of a young girl in that county. A mob took him from the officers and lynched him. The governor is determined to cause the arrest of these men if possible, and have them arraigned for trial.

DECIDED FOR POWELL.

Richmond, Va., Oct. 8.—The Democratic State executive committee heard to-night the Williamsburg case and decided that Thomas Powell was the nominee for the house from that district. Mr. Hubbard agreeing to abide by their decision. The Lunenburg case will be taken up next Tuesday night.

DEATH ON HER BIRTHDAY.

Charlestown, W. Va., Oct. 8.—Mrs. Mary E. Leach, of Engles, Md., was struck by a Baltimore and Ohio train yesterday evening and instantly killed while walking on the track. It was her birthday, and she had been to visit her daughter. She was returning home when she met her death.

STRUGGLE FOR LIBERTY.

Railford, Va., Oct. 8.—While City Sergeant Thomas, of this city, was on his way to the Christiansburg jail with Rufus De Hart, a desperate character, the man made an attempt to gain his liberty. Mr. Thomas was badly cut about the face and body, but hung on to his prisoner.

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SAGASTA'S CUBAN SCHEME

Measures With Which He Hopes to Pacify Cuba.

THE SUCCESSOR TO DE LOME.

FORM OF THE REPLY TO THE NOTE PRESENTED BY GEN. WOODFORD NOT YET DECIDED UPON—IT IS SAID THAT IT WILL MAKE CLEAR SPAIN'S RESOLUTE ATTITUDE.

Madrid, Oct. 8.—The government appears to wish it to be understood that the starting points of the new colonial policy will be the law of March, 1895, drawn by Senor Sagasta and Abarzuza on the eve of the present insurrection in Cuba, and Senor Canovas' reforms. These, however, are regarded as insufficient to fulfill the requirements of Cuba, and the relations with America, and, therefore, the cabinet proposes to go further by royal decrees, which will be submitted to the cortes.

The suggested autonomy will not be like that of Canada, but an economic and administrative self-government, which alone is compatible with the conditions prevailing in Cuba and the preservation of Spanish sovereignty. The pacification of the island will be attained not only by arms but by political action and the cessation of Weyler's repressive measures, subject to continuing the war so long as a single rebel remains in the field.

It is stated that the cortes will be dissolved in December, after which the elections will be held and the new cortes meet in March. It is also stated that either Senor Maura or the Duke of Almodover will be appointed minister to America in place of Senor De Lome.

A cabinet meeting was held to day at which the queen regent presided. Prime Minister Sagasta announced that the form of the reply to the note recently presented by the American minister, Gen. Woodford, had not yet been decided upon.

The Imparcial says that the reply will be satisfactory to Spanish susceptibilities and that it will make clear the government's resolute attitude.

Gen. Sanchez Mira, who challenged ex-Peine Minister Aznarra to fight a duel, because he took offense at a speech made by the latter in the senate, and who is placed in custody at his own request, therefore, has been set free and proceeds against him have been dropped.

WEDDED IN A CAVE.

Romantic Wedding Celebrated in the Luray Caverns "Ballroom."

Winchester, Va., Oct. 8.—A very romantic wedding, the second in the history of Luray Caverns, was celebrated to day in the ballroom of the caverns, 300 feet below the earth's surface.

The bride was Miss Laura Argenbright, the groom W. Boyd Steele, both of Stephen City, a few miles from Winchester. The wedding was quietly arranged, and no one but those present had been let into the secret. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. C. Thrasher, of Luray.

THE WAGES OF SIN.

Clarion, Mich., Oct. 8.—William Shain shot and killed Mrs. Freeman Lee last evening and when cornered by the officers of the law he ended the matter by shooting himself dead. Mrs. Lee had parted from her husband and was on intimate terms with Shain.

PROF. MURRAY CRITICALLY ILL.

Staunton, Va., Oct. 8.—Prof. John Murray, of the Mary Baldwin Seminary, a leading Virginia educator, is regarded as critically ill to-night. He has been an invalid for several months, and was paralyzed to day.

EXPRESS OFFICE ROBBED.

Petersburg, Va., Oct. 8.—Some time between 12 and 6 o'clock this morning the office of the Southern Express Company at Emporia, Va., was broken into by burglars, who blew open the iron safe, from which they took \$250 in cash and about \$250 in checks and drafts. There is no trace of the robbers.

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